

### **Important Change in Chapter 13 and Everett Case Assignment (Revised 3/1/04)**

On Nov. 1, 2003, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court assigned all chapter 7 and chapter 13 cases in Island, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish and Whatcom counties to Judge Thomas T. Glover, and all King County chapter 13 cases to Judge Karen A. Overstreet. All cases and most adversary proceedings pending on that date for those chapters and counties were reassigned to the respective judge. Judge Samuel J. Steiner will retain all adversary proceedings with trials pending for Island, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish and Whatcom county chapter 7 cases.

**NOTE THAT the computerized assignment of chapter 13 cases on November 1, 2003 may have resulted in the reassignment of a case originally pending in one county to another county, if the debtor had changed his or her address from one county to another prior to November 1. For example, certain cases that were pending in Snohomish County were inadvertently reassigned to King County because the debtor moved from Snohomish to King County prior to November 1. We are aware that this may have inconvenienced counsel and creditors by now requiring that they travel to Seattle for hearings. These cases should have remained assigned to the county of their initial filing. Therefore, if you are aware of a case that has been mistakenly reassigned, please notify the chambers of the judge currently assigned to the case, and we will have the case reassigned to its original county. As a general rule, an address change by the debtor to another county should not result in a reassignment of the case to a new county and a new judge.**

NOTE THAT all cases in which Kevin Helenius is counsel for the debtor shall continue to be assigned to Judge Overstreet, whether those cases are in or out of King County. Matters to be heard in those cases will be heard on Judge Overstreet's Chapter 13 calendar on the days described below. As of November 1, 2003, those cases may no longer be set on Judge Overstreet's weekly Friday motion calendars.

**NOTE THAT all cases in which the law firm of Davis Wright Tremaine is counsel for the debtor shall be assigned to Judge Glover, whether those cases are in or out of King County. Motions or other matters arising in those cases pending in Snohomish County will be heard on Judge Glover's Everett calendar or his Thursday chapter 13 motion calendar in Seattle. Motions or other matters arising in those cases pending in King County will be heard on Judge Glover's Friday motion calendar or on his Thursday chapter 13 motion calendar in Seattle. In those cases pending before Judge Overstreet where Davis Wright Tremaine appears on behalf of a creditor or other party in interest in connection with any motion or other matter, the parties should immediately advise Judge Overstreet's chambers so that arrangements can be made to refer the matter to Judge Glover. Judge Overstreet may or may not recuse herself from the main case in these instances.**

Judge Glover will hear motions for Island, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish and Whatcom county chapter 7 and chapter 13 cases on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the Everett Municipal Court, 3028 Wetmore Ave., Everett, WA. Another chapter 13 motion calendar for cases from those counties will be held on the 4th Thursday of the month in Courtroom 7106, U.S.

Courthouse, 700 Stewart Street, Seattle, WA.

Judge Overstreet will hold a motion calendar for King County chapter 13 cases at 9:30 a.m. on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month in Courtroom 7206, U.S. Courthouse, 700 Stewart Street, Seattle, WA. **Please refer to the link on the website for specific procedures applicable to those calendars.**

Judge Glover will continue to be assigned chapter 13 cases for Clallam, Jefferson, and Kitsap counties. The confirmation hearings will be held in Bremerton rather than in Seattle.

Questions regarding Judge Glover's calendars should be directed to his Secretary Dianne Berst at (206) 370-5310. Contact Judge Overstreet's Courtroom Deputy, Phyllis Jones, or her Judicial Assistant, Duffy Clarke, at (206) 370-5330 with questions related to setting matters on her calendar. Questions related to Judge Steiner's calendars may be directed to his secretary, Ruth Barnett, or courtroom deputy, Janice Brooks, at (206) 370-5300.